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HAMILTON AND ELMIRA DEBATE ON JURY SYSTEM

Girls From Southern Tier Provide Interesting Evening for Large Audience

HAMILTON GETS DECISI(

Both Audience and Judges Favor Presentation of Hill Team by Wide Margin

Speaking against the second team of girls ever to invade the Chapel, Hamilton debaters Wednesday evening succeeded in defeating their fair opponents from Elmira College, who argued affirmatively on the question: "Resolved: That the Jury System in the United States Should Be Abolished." The Hamiltonians were accorded a comfortable margin of victory by an audience vote and the unanimous decision of three judges.

The Elmira team contended that the institution of trial by jury is inefficient and inadequate, and argued that it be replaced by a tribunal of three popularly elected judges. The members of the negative held that jury trial had worked substantial justice in the past 150 years and that any proposal to abolish it was a blow to democratic government.

The debate was opened by Miss Celestia Frost, who maintained that the jury is an inefficient institution, that it is responsible for loss of time in court proceedings, loss of money, and waste of human energy. She held that the jurors are not intelligent enough to mete out an exact justice, and that their ignorance impedes the progress of the courts.

Defects Not Inherent

The negative case was opened by Colemar F. Nichols, '30, who outlined the history of trial by jury, pointed out its elemental nature in our government, and contended that its cumbersome defects are not inherent. Mr. Nichols warned against the popular idea of the miscarriage of justice that is fostered by the yellow journals and the crusading press.

Carrying on the argument of the affirmative, Miss Marguerite Stemmerman held that the jurors were too prone to be led by their emotions and that their individual prejudices determined the decisions that they rendered. She referred to the cases of Remus, Thaw, Sinclair and Hall-Mills, and contended that the injustice of these trials was characteristic.

John H. Jones, '31, in what was probably the best speech of the evening ,held that the jury was a success and submitted figures from lawyers and jurists to prove that the percentage of successful jury verdicts was far in excess of those handed down from the bench. He showed how the evils charged to the jury system could be remedied without abolishing the system itself.

System of udges Proposed

Miss Veronica O'Brien closed the advance case of the visiting debaters by proposing a tribunal of three popularly elected judges to take the place of the present jury. All other fields of activity, social, economic and industrial, have reorganized their structure and applied specialization to their problems, Miss O'Brien claimed. She submitted that our system of jurisprudence required a similar reorganization.

The brief of the local team was

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St. Thomas College Is Next Debate Opponent

With unanimous decisions over Amherst and Elmira to its credit, the Hamilton College debating team will seek to conquer new fields on April 11 with St. Thomas College at Scranton as opponents. Inasmuch as local interest in the Scranton collegians' new field of endeavor is running high, the Central High School auditorium in that city, seating approximately 2,000 people, has been secured for the occasion and a capacity crowd is expected. As previously announced, the Hamilton debaters will take the affirmative side of the question, "Resolved: That the American Jury System Should Be Abolished."

Shortly after this, on April 19th, the Hamilton forensic squad will meet Columbia in the College Chapel. The subject to be debated on April 22 with the New York State College for Teachers has been decided upon and will likewise be on the jury system. This road engagement will complete one of the most ambitious schedules attempted by the Hill debaters in some time.

Prof. Gra[illegible] Honored By L[illegible]ned Societies

Edgar B. Gra[illegible] associate professor of history [illegible] Hamilton, was announced Saturda[illegible]y the American Council of Le[illegible]ned Societies as one of the seventeen American scholars to be awarded grants in aid of research.

Investigating problems connected with the Statute of Praemunire of 1353, Professor Graves has been researching in the Public Record Office of London and in the arch-episcopal archives of York and Lincoln.

The grants of the American Council of Learned Societies have been made to scholars pursuing investigations in history, art, archaeology, philology, literature, folklore, and medieval and Byzantine studies.

Besides Professor Graves, two other men are being aided in historical research work, and three are being assisted in the preparation of historical works. The wide variety of subjects represented includes a history of astronomy in Colonial America, a study of England's new policy in 1763 and a study of the administration of justice from Homer to Demosthenes.

ALLEN, '07, TO SPEAK HERE SOON

Recipient of Chapel Collections to Tell of Work in Persia

One of Hamilton's most active alumni, Cody H. Allen, '07, appearing before the student body in the chapel Wednesday evening, April 10, will give an interesting account of his educational work in Persia and of the present condition of that romantic country.

Mr. Allen, while in college, took a great interest in its many activities and was graduated as valedictorian of his class—a versatile man, and one of substantial qualities.

Since his graduation from Hamilton, Mr. Allen has devoted his life to Persia. By answering its great educational and spiritual needs, he has had a large share in building the country up to its present condition. A part of his work is shown in the system of schools for boys at Hamadan which Mr. Allen has made one of the most vigorous educational centers of the country. Through his interest and influence, the Sunday chapel collections of the Hamilton College are used as scholarships to encourage the more promising boys from his Hamadan schools to study teaching at Teheran College.

This year Mr. Allen is in this country on his first leave of absence, since leaving for Persia in 1910. He has kept in constant touch with Hamilton since his absence, and is now returning on April 10 to tell the students of Hamilton about the land which has so engrossed his enthusiasm and about the work which the students have supported in chapel collections.

Contest for Woollcott Prize to Close in April

Competition for the prize of $75 offered by Alexander Woolcott, '09, to the student submitting the best play on undergraduate life, promises to be unusually keen this year. The plays will have to be extremely well constructed to surpass the winning productions of the two previous years, that of Seymour M. Pitcher, '28, called "The Trouble With This Place," and that of Max M. Wylie, '28, "That Certain Percentage." Pitcher's play, presented in 1927, dealt with the neutral problem at Hamilton, while Wylie's, presented last spring, featured the Honor System.

The rules for competition are few and simple. The play must be one-act in length and have Hamilton College as a background. It must be suitable for presentation by the Charlataans. The writer of the winning play will receive a Charlatan key, in addition to the prize. In the case of two plays being judged of equal merit, both plays will be presented and the audience allowed to vote for the winner . The contest will be open to competition until noon of April 13, at which time all plays submitted must be in the hands of the judges.

Hamilton "Life" Editorship Competition Concluded at Board Meeting Friday Night

At a meeting of the **Hamilton Life** Board, held at the Psi Upsilon House Friday evening, David H. Beetle, '30, was elected editor-in-chief for the ensuing year. Vernon A. Ives, '30, was selected as managing editor. The nominations were previously approved by Pi Delta Epsilon at a meeting held after chapel Friday morning. This was in accordance with the new ruling that executive positions on publications must first be approved by Pi Delta Epsilon.

According to Paul V. Combs, retiring editor, Mr. Beetle led the other competitors by a comfortable margin, and showed considerable ability in his competition issues. To fill the vacancies left by the junior competitors, three freshmen were elected to the board: Benjamin J. Stone, William A. Monacelli and John H. Wagenblass. Nominations for the position of assistant business manager will be made shortly after the Easter recess.

The new editor has been a member of **Life** staff since his sophomore year. He is a member of Pi Delta Epsilon, athletic editor of the 1930 Hamiltonian, and has been on the Press Board for three years. Vernon A. Ives, new managing editor, has served on **Life** staff since his freshman year. He is editor-in-chief of the 1930 **Hamiltonian,** a member of the board of the **Hamilton Literary Magazine,** and of Pi Delta Epsilon. He is also assistant manager of hockey. The new staff will assume complete control of **Hamilton Life** immediately after the Easter vacation.

AWARDS MADE FOR WINTER SPORTS AT U. A. MEETING

Twenty-five per cent of the students of Hamilton College were awarded letters, numerals or half numerals at a meeting of the Undergraduate Association last Friday evening, for participation in hockey and basketball games this winter. At this meeting, the Deke basketball trophy was presented to the Emerson Literary Society for its supremacy in the interfraternity basketball games.

As there was no business of any kind to be discussed by the small group of students present, Professor A. P. Saunders, president of the body, proceeded immediately to give out the awards to those who had won them in hockey and basketball. Sixty awards were made for hockey alone for the past winter season. Twelve of these were varsity H's while 34 were full numerals and 14 half numerals.

In basketball seven men were awarded the varsity H, while 30 more were awarded full numerals and 14 half numerals. Although fencing has not been included, this is one of the largest number of awards that has been made at Hamilton for one season of athletics, and shows the increased amount of interest that Hamilton undergraduates are taking in sports under the new athletic program started last year.

At the close of the meeting, Professor Saunders presented Ray Dutcher, captain of the E. L. S. basketball team, with the Deke silver loving cup, awarded as a result of the E. L. S. victory over the Dekes themselves in the finals of the interfraternity tournament.

The awards were as follows:

Hockey

Lettermen—Baker, Brown, Cutter, Ingalls, Montgomery, Harmon, Corwin, Smith, Stevens, Vibberts, Redmond, and Hunn, manager.

Full Numerals—Class of '29—Schneider, Barns, Chacona, A. R. Crane, L. J. Crane, Ferry and White. Class of '30—Birch, Chase, Ford, Folley, Grubb, Kavakos, Luther,

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Laves Writes Article About Foreign Loans

"German Governmental Influence on Foreign Investments," published in the December, 1928, issue of the Political Science Quarterly, is the contribution of Walter H. C. Laves, Professor of Political Science at Hamilton.

In his discussion of the setting of the German problem, Professor Laves states that only two legal regulatory provisions which could be invoked for the purpose of controlling loans seemed to have been available to the German government: either a law establishing supervision of the stock exchange or a law governing the Reichsbank. Next, he discusses the various German loans in the last three decades, including the Russian loans of '91, '02, and '06, the Turkish loan of '10, the Bulgarian Loans of '11, and '14, and the American Railway Bonds of '11.

In conclusion he states that the experience of the German government in attempting to make foreign investments a weapon in international relations, showed that the effectiveness of such a weapon was considerably limited by the presence of would-be creditors in other countries and by the fact that German bankers could subscribe loans on exchange abroad.

SENIOR TRACK TEAM WINS BY SMALL MARGIN

Scoring in every event, the seniors nosed out the juniors in the interclass track meet by two points, 32-30. The freshmen took third place with 19 points, and the sophomores trailed the three. The meet was held on last Thursday, Friday and Monday, two events being run off each day. Clark and Lathrop each accounted for two first places, althougn the latter shared honors with Cutter in the 440.

In the 440, the initial event on the card, Lathrop and Cutter split first honors. The field was bunched at the end of the first lap, with Lathrop, Cutter and Dutcher out in front; but Lathrop forged ahead, and held a 15-foot lead as they neared the finish line on the second round. Cutter, putting on a magnificent burst of speed in the sprint, swiftly closed the gap, and overhauled the leader just as he reached the tape. Denman and White finished third and fourth for the freshmen, while Dutcher dropped behind to take fifth.

Clark captured a first for the Seniors in the mile. The winner took the lead at the gun, but Aderhold forged ahead at the end of the second lap. On the fifth round, Heuston, freshman representative, took the leading position; and Clark advanced to second place as Aderhold slowly dropped back to a distant third. Heuston held the lead until the next-to-last lap, when Clark sprinted ahead and finished 60 feet in front. Campbell finished third, while Aderhold failed to place.

On the second day of the meet, Lathrop and Clark each accounted for another win. The former beat out Cutter for first in the 880. In this event, Denham chalked up the first marker for the sophomore class by taking third place.

Clark captured his second victory in the two-mile event. Emerson White afforded the only opposition during the entire race, holding the lead for a time near the end of first mile. Clark pulled ahead, however, and finished almost a half lap in front. The battle for third place afforded the closest race of the event. Aderhold, Campbell, Broughton and Grubb were closely bunched some

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Sophomores Win First Place in Fencing Meet

By outpointing the freshmen 14-3, in the final meet last Friday the sophomore class gained first place in the inter-class meets. Earlier in the week on Tuesday the freshmen met defeat at the hands of the seniors 12-5.

Previous to the final meet the juniors and sophomores were tied for first place although the juniors had been defeated, with victories over the seniors and freshmen by scores of 9-8 and 15-2 earned second place honors. The seniors gained their only men while the freshmen held the victory in their meet with the freshcellar position with no victories, and three defeats.

Although the freshmen failed to win a single meet, a promising foils man was developed in Fredman who won the greater part of his bouts, while Polhemus displayed accuracy with the foils for the sophomores.

Class	Won	Lost
Sophomores	3	0
Juniors	2	1
Seniors	1	2
Freshmen	0	3

Douglas, '29, Given Root Fellowship in Science

Edwin C. Douglas, '29, is the first man to enjoy the benefit of the augmented Root Fellowship in Science. Appointment was made by the faculty at its meeting on Monday 18th.

Douglas who has majored in mathematics with a high honor average in this subject has previously earned the Oren Root Prize Scholarship and the Tompkins Prize in Mathematics. He plans to continue his studies in mathematics at the Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences next fall. In addition to being a member of the varsity track and cross-country teams he is also an active member of Delta Sigma Rho and president of the History Club.

The Root Fellowship was first founded by Hon. Elihu Root in 1891 and furnished a senior $500 to be applied to graduate study in some American or European university. Last year the amount was increased to $1,000 by Mr. Root.

Leland B. Norton, '28, is the present holder of the Fellowship and is engaged as an assistant instructor in the Chemistry Department at Cornell.

RADIO ARTIST IS WELL RECEIVED

Miss Helen Oelheim Delights Musical Arts Society Sunday Night

Miss Helen Oelheim, leading contralto of the American Opera Company and of the Columbia Broadcasting Chain, was enthusiastically received by members of the Hamilton College Musical Art Society at the Theta Delta Chi House Sunday evening in the initial program on the 1929 schedule. Miss Oelheim delighted her audience by selections of Schubert, Schumann, Wolf, Brahms, Saint-Saens, and Bizet. This was her second appearance on the Hill—an appearance which did not end until after four encores.

Singing was a rare freshness of interpretation and a particularly mature ability of expression, Miss Oelheim captivated her listeners before she had completed her first group which ended with Schubert's **Die Post,** a romantically simple theme, which she sang with unsurpassable charm. The succeeding numbers were equally well received, from **Die Lotusblume** to **Chanson Boheme** from Bizet's "Carmen," and also the four encores. Professor Schute, president of the organization, accompanied Miss Oelheim on the piano.

Quartet Broadcasts From Station WIBX

Owners of radio receiving sets on the Hill were able to bask in local fame last Sunday afternoon, when the Hamilton College Quartet broadcast from Station WIBX in Utica. The Quartet, which is composed of Chacona, Owens, Eddy and J. H. Jones presented a group of college songs and negro spirituals.

The half-hour entertainment was divided into five groups, each consisting of one college song and one spiritual. Among the college songs included were "Fair Hamilton," "We Come to Hang Our Banners," and "Carissima," which concluded the program. The Quartet, a purely private enterprise with no administrative connection, is soliciting engagements. According to Frederick N. Davis, manager, several tentative bookings have been made for presentations after the Easter recess.

Dr. Dale Named Director Of Quarrying Company

Dr. Nelson C. Dale has been named a director of the Oneida Pink Granite Company, which has recently commenced quarrying near White La[illegible] in the Adirondacks.

When the outcrop was first discovered Professor Dale was asked to analyze the rock and its quarrying possibilities. He found that the rock's quality was good, and because of location near the Adirondack Division of the New York Central lines, well adapted for working.

Because the granite is beautifully shaded in pink and brownish pink and of an unusually hard nature, it promises to be valuable. Other characteristics are absence of rust-forming minerals and frequent joint planes which facilitate quarrying.

CARPENTERS TO CAPTAIN NEXT HAMILTON FIVE

Football Leader Is Selected By Teammates To Head 1929 Quintet

FORMER CORTLAND STAR

Has Played Consistantly Good Basketball Since Early High School Days

Robert P. Carpenter, '30, was honored with his second captaincy Friday afternoon when he was chosen to head next season's basketball team at a meeting of the letter men. Carpenter now holds both the basketball and football captaincies, having been elected to the latter position last December.

Carpenter, whose home is in Cortland, prepared for Hamilton at Cortland High School. While in high school, he was a member of the football team and played center on the basketball team for three years.

In his first year at college, he played a guard position on the freshman team. In his sophomore year, he made the varsity as a guard and has played regularly on the first quinetet for the past two seasons. Paired with ex-Captain Normile, '29, he has proved to be a consistently good defensive player and has given opposing forwards plenty of trouble.

Carpenter, one of the most popular men in his class, is a member of several Hamilton honorary societies. As a freshman, he was pledged by the Quadrangle Club and D. T., while last year he was picked for Was Los. In addition, he is a member of the Executive Council of the Undergraduate Association.

Donor of Euler Prize Dies at Mount Vernon

Edward Edwin Euler, '23, died at his home at Mt. Vernon, Wednesday, March 27th. Mr. Euler, winner of the Darling Prize in American History while in college, established in 1924 the Euler Prize in American History, a senior award.

Mr. Euler was a member of Phi Beta Kappa while at Hamilton College. He was also a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He attained such excellent averages in History and German that he was awarded a scholarship to Harvard University where he continued his study and from where he received his Master of Arts degree. He then taught at the Loomis School in Connecticut, after which he taught German at the University of Rochester. He then became an instructor at Harvard where he was studying for his doctor's degree. He devoted the past summer to European study and travel.

Fraternity Houses Nearly Completed

Work on the new Emerson Hall, and Alpha Delt houses is rapidly nearing completion, and it is expected that the former will be ready for occupancy a week after the Easter holidays, while the latter will probably remain untenanted until the opening of college next fall. The exteriors of both houses were finished late last autum, but it is not until now that that the interior essentials heve been completed.

Both houses, although primarily of colonial design, differ greatly not only in architectural style, but also in construction. The Emerson Literary Society's building is built of stone, brick and wood, all proportioned so as to make a most pleasing structure, while the Alpha Delt House, built entirely of stone, follows the bolder lines of design usually conceded as being an outgrowth of early Pennsylvania-Dutch architecture.

Neither house has yet begun to decorate the interiors although it is expected that before the middle of April all decorating and furnishing will be completed. The decorating of the Emerson Literary house is being done by a Herkimer firm, following suggestions made by Mr. Douglas Chretien.

Vagabonding Schedule

Wednesday — 3:30 — "Minor Poets of the 19th Century." (Professor Rudd, Truax Hall).

Thursday—3:30—Climates of the World (Professor Dale, Geology Building).

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"Inasmuch as law doth stand upon reason, to allege reason serveth as well as to cite Scripture."—Richard Hooker.

VALEDICTION: FORBIDDING, MOURNING

With the present issue of **Hamilton Life** we withdraw officially from the contemporary scene and pass the still smouldering torch on into the hands of others. While the event is of somewhat less than cosmic importance, tradition necessitates a few paragraphs of meditation.

One year ago we announced our espousal of "the golden heresy of truth," a policy more or less in keeping with the spirit of **Life** in recent years. Opinion in some quarters would indicate that we had manifestly achieved such heresy, but only at the expense of truth, which is a notoriously elusive substance. Now we are sincerely penitent toward all upon whose toes we have ungracefully trod; where we have offended deeply we beg a humble pardon. But we cannot believe that, in the main, at least, we ought to have done otherwise than as we have. "We are all working together to one end," said Marcus Aurelius, "some with knowledge and design, and others without knowing what they do. Men cooperate after different fashions; and even those cooperate abundantly who find fault with what happens and those who try to oppose it and to hinder it, for the universe had need even of such men as these."

The law of moderation has been frequently indicated for our guidance; and the law of moderation is an excellent law in good truth. But who shall say that in subscribing allegiance to it one should not recognize the need for a wholesome and adventurous skepticism of the intellect? If evil requires not only to be detected but also to be defeated, there must be conflict. In recent years **Hamilton Life** has done much to arouse such conflict, from which much good has come, we believe. And there is still room in our college for a student newspaper of this variety. On the other hand, we do not believe that we have lost sight of those ideals which stimulate activity of a more directly constructive nature.

In other words, we do believe in the Hamilton of today. If we have now and then conceived of Carissima as a maiden in hoopskirts, it is only because we believe just as firmly in the Hamilton of tomorrow. For our college is changing, slowly but certainly, and we must look ahead. Ther is but one note of pessism in our reverie. To be honest we must confess.

We are pessimistic about the lack of optimism.

Senior Committees Have Been Appointed

Six senior committees have been recently appointed by President Normile for the purpose of making final arrangements for the active life of the class of 1929. Knox, Barns, Reinecke, MacKenzie, Krum, and Corwin are the chairmen of these committees. They are as follows:

Senior Ball—Chairman Knox, Adams, Chatfield.

Class Day—Chairman Barns, Bremer, Chapin, Eddy, Macmillan.

Invitation — Chairman Reinecke, Callanen, Lake, Montgomery.

Cap and Gown—Chairman MacKenzie, Foley, Douglas.

Class Gift—Chairman Krum, Mineka.

Commencement Week — Chairman Corwin, McCready, Ingalls, Weston.

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Savage, Tucker, Webster. Class of '31—Wilson, Andrew, Baldwin, Corwin, Fairchild, Hughes, Schwaiger, Symonds, Wright. Class of '32—Ashmead, Blake, Dixon, Eames, Fauver, Lester, Ready, Scagel, Wettlaufer.

Half Numerals—Class of '29—Van Schaak, Baker, G. Clark, Chatfield. Class of '30—Law, Birch, Ford, George, Chase, Harmon. Class of '31—Crane, Redmond, Drummond. Class of '32—Eastabrook, Harvey, Strong, Clark, Woodcock.

Basketball

Lettermen—Carpenter, Crowley, Hiler, L. Morris, J. G. Normile, J. R. Normile, Sherman.

Full Numerals—Class of '29—DeSormo, Chatfield, Rowley, Douglas, Weston, Bremer, MacKenzie. Class of '30—Dutcher, Webster, Lawton, Campbell, Palmer, Dillenbeck, Prentiss, R. L. Webster. Class of '31—Boeve, Pope, Jayne, Symonds, Anderson, J. Jones, Lawrence, Rienzo. Class of '32—Creigh, Eames, Sanford, DeSormo, Lewis, Pritchard, M. Jones, Fisher.

Half Numerals—Class of '29—Jewell, DeSormo, MacPhail, Sprague. Class of '30—Sherman, Kinsey. Class of '31—Allen, Eggleston, Conger, Gaskill, Sawtelle. Class of '32—Gross, Skinner, Kelsey, Corby.

Material for Next Lit Due Soon After Easter

Contributions for the next issue of the Hamilton Literary Magazine will be due immediately after the Easter recess. Poetry is particularly desired. The next number of the Lit, which will appear shortly after the beginning of the new term, will be the last put out by the present staff. Following that issue, a new staff will be elected which will publish, at Commencement time, the final number of the year.

New Grid Rules Improve Game Thinks Hill Coach

Complete satisfaction with next fall's football rules has been expressed by Coach Winters.

Concerning the new ruling on fumbles whereby the ball becomes dead if it is regained by a member of the opposing team, the Hamilton mentor had nothing but praise. "It protects the team that has consistently outplayed its opponent. It will take away many thrills, but it will nevertheless make the stronger, more powerful team surer of its ground."

In his opinion the new rule requiring that the ball be placed on the two-yard line instead of on the three-yard line for a try-for-point will encourage the plunging type to attempt to add to the score by a line play. Teams without strong plunging backs will still rely on the old method . Variety may be expected.

Because of an improper editorial printed in one of the issues of the **Varsity**, the Toronto University daily, the editor was dismissed and the paper was temporarily suspended.

The editorial continued a controversy which arose over editorials the paper in support of "petting," referring to the effect the wiles of the feminine students had in securing the approbation of the professors.

The incident was settled with an announcement that the paper would, in the future, refrain from publishing anything which could be considered improper.

FORUM

Supports Public Speaking and Sunday Chapel System

Rockford, Ill.,
March 16, 1929.

To the Editor:

Judging from the Columns of **Life**, much is wrong at Hamilton. Public Speaking has been properly pilloried, and now compulsory chapel is due for the brickbats.

In defense of Public Speaking, it is the only thing I studied that has been of practical value to me during the nine years I have been out of college. As advertising director for the largest down-state newspaper i Illinois, it has been my job to talk frequently before various groups business men—grocers, plumbers, painters, meat dealers and retail merchants of various kinds. In addition, one of the features of the paper is an annual cooking school, which has a four-day attendance of about 6,0 women. My job is to organize the school, introduce the demonstrators, make announcements, etc. There is scarcely a fortnight that some group selling is not required.

It is true that my audiences do not represent the highest intellects in the city, but they do represent several thousand dollars worth of advertising.

Public speaking did one thing for me, as it has done for thousands of other young men. It gave me confidence in myself. It creates an ability to think on your feet, and nothing is more important to a man who is doing any kind of sales work.

Had public speaking been elective, I never should have studied it. Being afflicted with a speech impediment (which, by the way, was materially bettered under Prof. Lewis' instructions) I was probably the most scared freshman who ever climbed the chapel rostrum. So there is at least one concrete example of the benefits of the Hamilton curriculum.

The religious side of Sunday chapel is of questionable value, but it greatest worth lies in the fact that it is compulsory. There are very few elective duties in the daily run of life and business. The world loves to kick you in the pants, and it's the fellows who can take the kicks, do the hard things, that get somewhere. It isn't exactly fun to call on a customer who "wouldn't spend a nickel with your blank blank company." No one elects to tackle him, but the fellow who sells him gets a feeling of genuine accomplishment. Every day we try to make every man in our departme do something he doesn't like to do.

The growing tendency of colleges to make courses pleasant has been a distinct handicap to many graduates. A college education is not as highly regarded as it was a few years ago, because so many men who have spent four years working have learned discipline and an appreciation for the value of time that many colleges fail to have.

Traditions may seem silly—some of them are—but they came into being because the experience of many men over a period of years proved that restraint and compulsion are vital. All of us like to be lazy. It is much more pleasant to stay in bed Sunday, or any other morning, but the world is not interested in personal preferences. Results count, the boss wants a profit on a man's services. Work is still the basis for success, and work means discipline.

With these thoughts in mind, many alumni would regret to see the passing of compulsory chapel and Public Speaking.

Very truly yours,
JOHN S. RILEY, '20.

Stryker, '06, Chosen District Court Judge

Lloyd P. Stryker, '06, has recently been nominated United States district judge for the Southern District of New York.

Mr. Stryker is the son of Dr. M. Woolsey Stryker, '72, of Rome, president of Hamilton College for 25 years. After being graduated from Hamilton in 1906, the younger Mr. Stryker went to New York where he studied law and entered general legal practice.

At the end of May, MacMillan Company, publishers, will issue a biography of Andrew ohnson, written by Lloyd Stryker. The biography, which is the result of four and a half years of work, will be published in two volumes. The romantic of Abraham Lincoln's successor is said to be presented in a new light by Mr. Stryker, and forms an absorbing story of the stormy days which followed the Civil War.

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distance behind the leaders. Aderhold finally won out and took third, with Campbell close behind.

The 220 was run against time, each man competing alone. Ford turned in the best time, completing the circuit in 24.7. Cutter and Lathrop tied for second place, and Frazee turned in the fourth best time. Dutcher and Aderhold were deadlocked for fifth.

The Juniors won the medley relay, with Aderhold, running the 440, as lead-off man for the winning team. Dutcher and Ford each ran a 220, and Lathrop finished up with a hal mile. The Seniors captured second place, and the Freshmen third.

HAMILTON AND ELMIRA DEBATE ON JURY SYSTEM

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concluded by Lloyd Almirall, '29, who pointed out the faults of trial by judge and maintained that justice could not be assured under such a plan, because of the political contacts of the judges, their mode of thought, and their critical tendencies.

Rebuttal was given by Mr. Almirall and Miss O'Brien.

President Ferry presided over the debate, which was largely attended by the undergraduate body. Mrs. Ralph C. Willard, Francis P. McGinty and Thomas Brown Rudd were judges.

Hamilton Campus Has Interesting History

By Joseph J. Ferlo, '30

The beauty of the Hamilton campus has not been attained without considerable effort and care. T campus, as we see it today, is surprisingly young and dates back scarcely more than 30 years.

In the late years of the 19th Cen largely through the influence of Oren Root, who was particularly interested in landscape effects, a committee was drawn up to consider the advisability of planting trees on the campus. This committee consisted of Oren Root, H. D. Gridley, a nurseryman, and John Hastings, a landscape gardener. After considering the plan it was decided that trees would be a material asset to the campus grounds and work was immediately begun.

Many different varieties of trees were procured, both from this country and abroad, including the tulip, ginko, gum, coffee, and various varieties of pines and elms. There were six particular areas on the campus in those days, each of which was surrounded by dense shrubbery. Each area had its allotment of trees, one of pines, another of oaks, and so on. The original shrubbery effects were planned by a leading landscape artist. The campus proper comprised a much smaller area than it does today. The bounds were the gymnasium, the road leading to the infirmary and the present site of the administration building.

Other enhancing features of the old campus were the numerous winding pathways which nave since been slowly disasppearing. On the whole the Hamilton campus of the late eighties and early nineties was considered one of the most beautiful scenic spots in New York State. A great number of trees have been cut down in the last few years and very few planted in their place. The last group of trees to be planted is the group now on the quadrangle just front of the Geology Building.

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Our Last Bow—with apologies to Z. "Hash" MacMillan if we seem to be stealing his style:

As the sifting snow is one day here to make life beautiful with an enhancing blanket of purest white, and the next is dissolved into a laughing rivulet whirling and swirling in an ever increasing mass until it thunders into the sea, so it is time for a new board to make Life beautiful, and we who are numbered with the snows of yesteryear hereby dissolve gurgling and laughing into ... ...

However, this metaphor is getting so wet that we must stop before becoming inundated.

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Our editorial thanks to the following:

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L. C. "Elsie" Jones, not to be confused with South College Looie, for his potential genius, and the interesting Carpe it engenders.

Cassius Curtis, for his euphonious name.

The Public Speaking department, with an honorable mention to Peevee Combs for their efforts to provide local news. We are sorry that we are so little indebted to W. B. M., especially since he once flunked us in debate because we were half an hour late to a conference, but he took such a merciless beating last year in this column that his larynx has been off key ever since.

Messrs. Harwood and Wells, because they hove so much in common.

Prexy, for the concrete roads, the new lamps, and that black stuff on the Carnegie Ball Diamond.

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To Geegee, because he abominates being taken for a ride, though really he doesn't do much to deserve it.

To Ralph Clewell Super, because, after all, he does get off some of the best wise cracks on the campus, even if he is as queer as Dick's hatband and thinks we're a "fresh little whippersnapper."

To "Duggle" Chretien, for various reasons.

To the Prexy—Coughlin-Burton triumverate, sometimes known as the Pathe News: "Sees all, Knows all."

To Bill Squires, because, after all, ax is y.

To Buffalo, for N. G. Russell.

To Horace Seely Brown, Sr., for Horace Seely Brown, II.

To Paul Bernardt Haist, for nothing.

To Easter, for vacation.

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After carefully reading the latest issue of the Lit., Carpe offers the following without any apologies:

Paranoia

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And object is night and fear.
And all is impersonal
In an ash-can,
In an ash-can.
Don't cry, Johnny. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

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The undergraduates of Coughlin Manor, or, as Bill Squires calls it, the "House of Commons," wish to congratulate Stew Baker on the thoroughness with which he has trained the D. U. slimers. My, but weren't we surprised! — even Stink.

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But what we want to know is has anybody actually seen the dinosaur roaming about the campus?

Varsity and Interclass Squads Prove Popular

Winter sport records filed at the Gymnasium indicate that slightly less than 200 men have been engaged during the winter in some sport, varsity or interclass. This number is a trifle less than 50 per cent of the total enrollment. It is a very favorable figure as compared with records of former years and speaks well for the Hamilton physical education staff as compared with athletic mentors in other colleges.

With the figures varying constantly and with members of varsity squads frequently engaging in interclass contests it is difficult to get an accurate check on the number of individuals participating. Approximate figures would indicate that 45 men are engaged in the basketball class squad, 44 in similar hockey groupings, and 35 in winter track. Approximately 24 members of the freshman fencing squad together with sophomores and upperclassmen enrolled in the three winter sport varsities bring the total to 185.

Figures by classes show that participation is about the same at all periods during the college course, except for the freshman year in which interest is a bit keener. The above records are very conservative; they do not include participation in interfraternity basketball and hockey or in other special events.

Mexico Is Discussed At Joint Club Meeting

Mexico, its people and its revolutions, was the chief topic of discussion at the joint meeting of tne History and Political Science Clubs held at the Theta Delta Chi house Friday evening.

Edwin C. Douglas, '29, Robert C. MacPhail, '29, and David H. Beetle, '30, submitted accounts of the history of Mexico and its revolutions from 1800 to the present day.

Supplementing these accounts Professor M. L. Bonham, jr., gave an interesting talk on the temperament of the Mexican people, delving fundamentally into the causes for the various uprisings.

Average Student Life Injurious To Health

According to Dr. Dean F. Smiley, head of the Department of Hygiene and Preventative Medicine at Cornell University, the health of college students trends downward from the time they enter college as freshmen until they leave.

Dr. Smiley explains this by saying that each year a student is in college he takes less and less care of himself. Dr. Smiley has arrived at three causes for this. The first is that the influence of home and mother is usually strong for good health habits and good maintenance. The longer a student is away from that influence, the less he feels its effect. The second cause holds that student life has for many years been notable for its neglect of the ordinary hygienic laws. There are too many "bull sessions" lasting far into the morning and too many bouts of excessive drinking.

The third cause mentioned by Dr. Smiley is that a fair number of college students are attempting the physical impossibility of doing the work of two men, living the life of a day laborer to earn a living, and the life of a student to acquire an education.

"It will probably be many years in the future," Says Dr. Smiley, "before any college will be able to boast of a senior class with a better upkeep rating than its freshman class."

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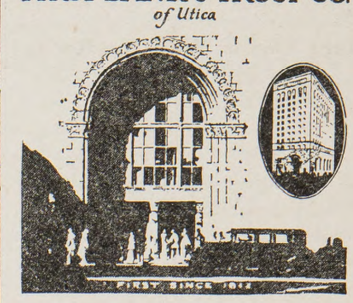

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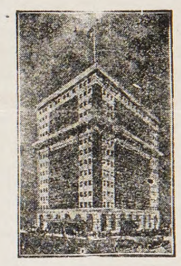

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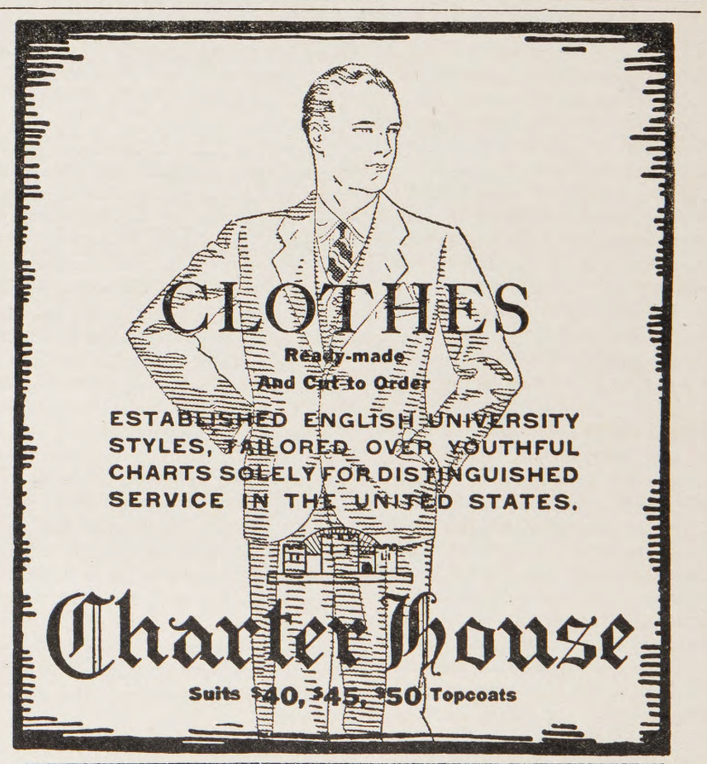
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ATTRACTIVE SPRING TRIP ARRANGED FOR HILL CHOIR

Hamilton Singers Will Appear At Poughkeepsie, Huntington and New York

MAY SING AT PRINCETO.

Plans Under Way for Recital In Million Dollar Chapel

Announcement of the Spring Trip for the Hamilton Choir, made last week by Professor Paul A. Fancher, reveals that the singers will appear in Poughkeepsie, Huntington and New York City on April 20, 21 and 22, i spectively. A fourth date is pending at Princeton on the 23rd.

The above engagements, togethe with the Commencement recital and a possible appearance in Syracuse are expected to complete the season.

The first appearance will be a Poughkeepsie on April 20, where there will be a joint recital with the Vassar College Choir, composed 90 girls. This is the first time in the history of the Hamilton choir that it has appeared in a joint recital, an it is being looked forward to with enthusiasm. It is also the choir's firs concert at Vassar. The choirs will not sing together. This was at fi considered, but it was found impo sible to arrange for a previous re necessary if any success was to be hearsal of the two, which would b insured. Each choir will sing three groups. Preceding the concert, the Hamilton men will be entertained a Vassar for dinner by the girls.

Proceeding to New York on urday, the recital will be held in t Guild Theater in the evening, April 21. The Guild Theater is one o best known and most beautiful the aters in America and has even fine acoustic properties than the Town Hall, where the choir sang last yea

The next concert has been ranged for Sunday, the 22nd, whe the choir will sing in the new hig school at Huntington, L. I. At present the Huntington recital is the last date on this year's trip, but there is a possibility that the choir will sing on the 23rd in the new million dollar chapel at Princeton. The Director of Music at Princeton, Ralph Downs, has approached Professor Fancher with plan whereby they might have an annual joint recital of the Princeton and Hamilton Choirs. If arrangements were completed, there would be two joint recitals a year, one at Princeton the other at Hamilton. However nothing definite can be said at t present time. The Princeton Choir i composed of 50 men.

Unless plans for a recital at Princeton are arranged, the choir will return to the Hill on Tuesday, April 2

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Two Prizes Offered By American Mercury

Two prizes, each of $500, are being offered by the American Mercury for articles by college graduates of this year, discussing their experience in college. One prize will go to the best article received from a male student, and the other to the best from a woman student. Any person receiving an A. B. degree, or its equivalent, from an American college in 1929 is eligible to compete.

The aim of the contest, according to the editor of the American Mercury, is not to bring to light learned treatises on higher education, but to obtain records of personal experience in American colleges. The contestant is expected to tell how the four years in college strike him immediately after they are over, whether the time seems to have been well spent, how much he learned, and what he gained in other directions—social and otherwise. He should tell whether life, in general, has been pleasant, and whether there is any feeling that his equipment for life has been improved and a desire for future lerning has been enkindled.

Contestants are encouraged to name their colleges, and any of their professors they may wish to discuss, especially those who have struck them as competent. The final day for sending in manuscripts has been put beyond commencement time so that frankness may not imperil diplomas. All manuscripts will be judged by their honesty, intelligence, frankness of viewpoint, and interest as human documents.

Each article must contain from 3,000 to 8,000 words and must be the original work of a student graduated from an American college with the Class of 1929. Each must bear the name and address of the author, the name of the college attended and a statement of the course followed and the degree to be taken. All manuscripts submitted for the prizes should reach the office of the editor not later than August 1, 1929.

New Leaflet Contains High Praise for Choir

Quotations from numerous newspapers and musical celebrities, praising the work of the Hamilton College Choir, have recently been collected in a small pamphlet. The new leaflet which is intended for publicity purposes, is an augmentation of a similar booklet appearing last year.

The new pamphlet contains approbations from Deems Taylor, Samuel Chotzinoff, Morris Gest, W. J. Henderson, Winthrop Ame F. P. A., Edna Ferber, the Chicago Tribune; Alexander Woollcott, the Utica Daily Press; Charles D. Isaacson, the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle; the Rome Sentinel and Otto Kahn.

The majority of the critics pa a high tribute to the work of Professor Fancher and to his genius in picking from a college of only 40 a choir of 60 men, most of whom have had little musical training and in welding them within a year into a chorus which will bear comparison with a permanent choir.

Hamilton Choir Pleases Large Audience in Utica

Opening its schedule of outside engagements for the 1929 season, the Hamilton Choir, under the direction of Professor Paul A. Fancher, delighted a large audience in a recital in the First Presbyterian Church, Utica, Monday night. The engagement marked the sixth appearance of the Hamilton Choir in Utica, and the third in First Church.

The Utica program which introduced several innovations, met with a most favorable reception . The audience seemed to be even more friendly than usual in its ovation to the singers. The appearance gave every indication that Professor Fancher with his unusually large choir of 60 men may expect an equally friendly reception on the April trip.

The concert provided the last opportunity for Uticans to hear the Choir. It is not expected that the group will make another public appearance in Central New York this season, save that at Commencement time, which is reserved for alumni and their friends.

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Baseball Squad Holds Pre-season Practices

With only five regulars left from last year's baseball squad Coach Weber has been striving hard to get an eye on the new men in pre-season practices, although weather conditions have forced the team to remain indoors most of the time, it has, however, been able to practice on the Clinton diamond on two occasions. On the rough field in town the squad has been subjected to rigorous batting practice, and the outfielders have had an opportunity to chase fly balls.

Inside practice is carried on in the gymnasium every day, and the smaller details are being gradually worked out in the line of bunting, running, sliding, and taking the proper lead off a base. The battery men are also getting their share of work.

The pitching staff will probably feel the absence of Knox on the mound. Knox threw his arm out in the Fall and it is expected that this injury will prevent him from serving as a pitcher throughout the season. Captain Chatfield is being groomed as a hurler and will probably see much service in this position.

Calkins, who filled out last year, will be certain of much pitching duty, while Stevens and Eggleston, two of last year's freshmen pitchers, are working for a place in the same department. Chatfield will catch when not occupied in the box, and will be relieved by Stevens and Redmond.

The 1929 Hamilton baseball team will be one of the smallest college nines in the country, more than half the team being rather diminutive stature.

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New Chapel Markers Have Been Appointed

At a meeting of the Hamilton College Faculty on Monday, March 18, five chapel markers and three substitutes were appointed. Beetle, Darken, Nichols, Tuthill, and Watson were appointed to the positions of chapel markers. Grubb, MacIntyre and Niemeyer were named substitutes.

Practically all of those appointed have thus far accepted the positions. The new markers will assume their duties immediately after the Easter vacation.

PLAN OFFERED BY HON. ELIHU ROOT

Veteran Statesman's Suggestion Suits International Jurists

At a meeting of international jurists held last week at Geneva, Switzerland, it was unanimously agreed to accept the formula proposed by Elihu Root for America's entrance into the World Court. It was the first definite step taken since the forthcoming of invitations years ago.

Although it would seem that America is being accorded too privileged a position, it is reasonable to suppose that the 40 states which are now members of the court will extend their sanction to Mr. Root's plan. It is also expected that the American Congress will be in accord.

Mr. Root, one of America's foremost statesmen, took a leading part in the formation of the World Court in 1920 and has been actively interested in its affairs since its inception. Despite his advanced age he undertook a trip abroad several weeks ago in order to be able to participate in the conferences which have been held throughout this month, and to submit his plan. His achievements as America's representative have been of great moment.

Mr. Root has devoted much of his life to public service. He has served as Secretary of State under President Roosevelt and as Secretary of War under President McKinley, besides holding other notable positions.

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New Novel by Adams, '91, To Appear Next Month

"The Flagrant Years" is the latest novel by Samuel Hopkins Adams, '91, author of "Revelry," and other works. The new book, which will appear in April, is a story concerning the eternal and often tragic struggle of women to preserve and enhance their beauty. It moves in a swift, tense atmosphere heavily charged with intrigue.

It relates the tangles of a certain Consuelo Bartlett, a girl employed in a New York beauty salon and portrays the desperate hopes hung on the success of the professional face-maker's art. The heart-breaking sacrifices women make to enlist the aid of these modern magicians are vividly discovered.

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Holy Week was the subject of a talk given by Father Shannon before the Newman Club meeting at the Lambda Chi Alpha House Thursday evening.

Wallace B. Johnson Is Acquaintance of Hoover

During his recent trip to Washington at the inauguration of Mr. Hoover, Wallace B. Johnson, Secretary of Admissions, renewed many friendships of his American Relief Administration days. Discussing his acquaintance with Mr. Hoover, Mr. Johnson said that he first met Mr. Hoover in London in 1914. At that time, Mr. Johnson was travelling in Europe, and on the declaration of war between Great Britain and Germany, he found himself, with many other Americans, temporarily stranded in London.

The Savoy Hotel became the headquarters of the stranded Americans, Mr. Johnson said. A number of the more prominent, among whom were F. I. Kent, Joseph Day, Mr. Hoover and Philip Armour, organized the Citizens Committee to look after the interests of their fellow-countrymen. This was the beginning of Mr. Hoover's relief work.

After the end of the war, Mr. Hoover set out to relieve the food shortage in Eastern Europe. As aides in the administrative work, Mr. Hoover took with him his army and navy officers, and in his naval capacity Mr. Johnson was one of those selected. He was sent to Poland, where the Blue Palace in Warsaw became his headquaarters. Mr. Johnson was assigned to the northeastern part of Poland, near the Russian frontier.

Mr. Hoover came to Poland for a short time, travelling in the private car that had once belonged to the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, whose assassination precipitated the war. He was accorded a great reception; his arrival was the signal for a demonstrative outburst of gratitude, of which Mr. Johnson received no little share.

Mr. Johnson was later transferred to Budapest, where he stayed for about six months, his work consisting mainly of the care of orphaned and homeless children. During his stay in Hungary, Mr. Johnson said, he lived in the Vichy Palace, had two Cadillacs at his disposal, a box at the opera, and spent on an average of $1.30 a day.

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At the monthly meeting of the Utica Life Underwriters Associaiton in the Hotel Martin Thursday night Clancy D. Connell, '12, of New York City, spoke on the phases of selling life insurance.

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The engagement of Miss Frances Noble to Willard M. Pottle, '24, both of Buffalo, has been announced. Mr. Pottle attended Harvard Law School after leaving Hamilton. Miss Noble is a graduate of Buffalo Seminary and Smith College.

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